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## HELP PLAN PURCELLVILLE ON MARCH 19<sup>TH</sup>

## TOWN TO HOST SECOND ROUND OF COMPREHENSIVE PLAN WORKSHOPS SATURDAY, MARCH 19 – 10:00 AM & 2:00 PM AT TOWN HALL

**PURCELLVILLE, Va. February 29, 2016** — Everyone interested in the future of Purcellville is invited to attend one of the two public workshops being held by the Purcellville Planning Commission on Saturday, March 19 at 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM in Town Hall located at 221 South Nursery Avenue, Purcellville, Virginia. Each two hour session is designed to allow someone to arrive at any time during the event and to spend as much or as little time on the exercises as they desire. The same material will be covered at both sessions which will each follow the same format.

During the sessions, short staff presentations will be given every 30 minutes reporting on the results of the first round of public exercises and research on existing conditions within the town. Attendees will spend the remaining time moving between stations that each focus on specific areas in and around Purcellville. The Planning Commission wants to know what the public does and does not like about each area currently as well as what the public would and would not like to see in each area in the future.

"The public's feedback about the format of the February workshops at the Carver Center was very positive, so this event will provide similar opportunities for written comments on the character of different local areas," said Senior Planner Daniel Galindo. "The first workshops were well attended despite being rescheduled because of the blizzard, and we hope that even more people come on March 19<sup>th</sup> to provide their input."

These workshops are the second in a series of community engagement events that the Town will hold in 2016 as it works to update the *Purcellville, Virginia 2025 Comprehensive Plan* adopted in 2006. As the official public document that articulates the community's vision for its future, the Comprehensive Plan serves as a guide for decision-making and future development. Updating the Plan is a top priority of Town Council and the Planning Commission who want to ensure that the Plan's goals and policies continue to accurately reflect the needs and desires of Purcellville residents.

The subsequent meeting date is tentatively scheduled for May 21; the location has yet to be determined.

For more information, visit <u>PlanPurcellville.com</u> or contact Daniel Galindo, Senior Planner.

## The Town of Purcellville, Virginia

Purcellville is an award-winning town of nearly 8,300 residents located in Loudoun County, approximately 40 miles west of Washington, DC. It has been honored for its green initiatives, most recently with the prestigious Siemens Sustainability Award for Small Communities. The Town has an elected Mayor and six Town Council members. Once a stop along the W&OD rail line, Purcellville has maintained its historic old-town feel through the restoration and maintenance of its many downtown structures, reflecting the Victorian architecture popular during the early 1900s. Today, Purcellville is the economic hub of western Loudoun County and a popular weekend destination for antiquing, entertainment, farmer's markets, wineries, breweries, distilleries and restaurants. More info at www.purcellvilleva.gov.

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